Martin Lake Dam and Martin Lake

OWNER

Dallas Power and Light Company. Texas Electric Service Company. Texas Power and Light Company. Texas Utilities Services, Inc. (Agent).

ENGINEER

Forrest and Cotton, Inc.

LOCATION

On Martin Creek in Rusk and Panola Counties, 17 miles northeast of Henderson and 3 miles southwest of Tatum.

DRAINAGE AREA

130 square miles.

DAM

Type Earthfill 6,875 ft Length Height 61± ft Top width 20 ft 321.5 ft above msl

Top elevation

SPILLWAY (emergency)

Location Left of the dam Type Uncontrolled Crest length 1,000 ft Crest elevation 312.0 ft above msl

SPILLWAY (service)

Location Type Crest length (net) Near left end of the dam Concrete ogee and chute

Crest elevation 294.0 ft above msl

Control 4 tainter gates, each 40 by 14 ft

OUTLET WORKS

One low-flow outlet is a 3 by 5 ft conduit with sluice gate control located in one of the gate piers with invert at elevation 284.0 ft above msl. Additional low-flow outlet is an 8-inch pipe with invert at elevation 286.0 ft above msl with a downstream sluice gate control. Water is pumped from the lake to the powerplant and returned to the lake.

POWER FEATURE

Ultimate capacity

Four 750,000 kw units

AUTHORIZATION

Permit No. 2693 (Application No. 2932), November 19, 1971, to Dallas Power and Light Company, Texas Electric Service Company, and Texas Power and Light Company authorizes the construction of a dam to impound 77,619 acre-feet of water. Permittee is authorized to divert and use 6,250 acre-feet of water per annum for each 750,000 kw unit. The maximum rate of diversion for cooling purposes will be 4,190 cubic feet per second.

RESERVOIR DATA

Capacity

77,619 acre-feet at elevation 306.0 ft above msl 5,020 acres at elevation 306.0 ft above ms

GENERAL

Construction started Construction completed May 31, 1972

September 30, 1974

